

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
DIVISION OF JUVENILE JUSTICE SERVICES  
POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Policy No: 03-02	Effective Date: 07/05	Revision Date: 07/18/05
Subject: Release and Custody Termination		

**I. Policy Statement**

The Division shall terminate custody of a juvenile in their care by statute, by court order, by Youth Parole Authority order or program requirements. The Division shall provide opportunities through its services and programming to help every juvenile released from its custody with a reasonable expectation of success in their communities.

**II. Rationale**

Juveniles, placed in the custody of the Division of Juvenile Justice Services, should leave JJS custody after having had the opportunity, when possible, to complete all of the obligations to the court and to their victims. They should be given the opportunity to learn to become more socially, educationally and vocationally competent while in JJS custody.

**III. Procedures**

- A. Division facilities and programs shall release juveniles from custody under the following conditions:
  - 1. Statutory Authority,
  - 2. by Court Order,
  - 3. release order from the Youth Parole Authority;
  - 4. the juvenile has completed the program requirements and is not under court order for continued custody.
- B. All terminations from Juvenile Justice Services custody must be entered into the Juvenile Justice Services/CARE by Division staff.

**V. Continuous Renewal**

This policy shall be reviewed three (3) years from its effective date to determine its effectiveness and appropriateness. This policy may be reviewed before that time to reflect substantive change.

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This policy has been reviewed by the Board of Juvenile Justice Services and is approved upon the signature of the Director.

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Jody Valantine, Chair  
Board of Juvenile Justice Services

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Date

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Dan Maldonado, Acting Director  
Division of Juvenile Justice Services

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